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GERMANS SWEEP DOWN ON ISLAND IN GULF OF RIGA

Under Cover of Ninety Warships Land on Oesel Island and Start In to Take Possession

KERENSKY'S APPEAL

Asks Baltic Fleet to Defend the Nation in This Hour of the Nation's Trial

STRATEGIC POSITION

But There Is No Immediate Menace to the Russian Capital, the Russians Believe

With the armies in Flanders inactive, except for bombardments, interest centers on the operations of the Germans in the island of Oesel, situated at the mouth of the Gulf of Riga and the entrance of the Gulf of Finland.

At last accounts the Germans who landed under the cover of a great array of naval craft were steadily pressing back the Russians toward the southeastern part of the island and also putting ashore other forces with the huge armada guarding them against assault by Russian warships.

The entire northern and eastern sections of the island are in German hands and the invaders are only a short distance from Aerensburg, on the southern shore, which is in flames. Serel, which lies on Svorb peninsula, the southernmost extremity of the island, also is on fire. Whether the conflagrations were caused by the German guns or whether they were started by the Russians is not known. Although the German communication says the Germans suffered no losses during the landing on Oesel, the Petrograd war office says that in attempting to cover the landing of the enemy on Dago island, to the north of Oesel, four German torpedo boats are reported to have been sunk and one cruiser ran aground.

The small detachment which was landed on Dago island was forced to return to the ships while the Russian fleet, which had suffered no material damage, was hindering the German war craft in the waters between Dago and Oesel islands.

Nothing has come through to show that the enemy has attempted to attack the mainland of western Esthonia, nor has there been any indication that the Russian front in this region has been moved.

Germans Sweep Over Island

Petrograd, Oct. 14.—The German forces which landed on Oesel island in the gulf of Riga, under the cover of 90 warships, had occupied up to 10 o'clock Saturday morning, the whole northern and eastern part o fthe island and were within 12 versts of Aerensburg, on the southern shore, according to an announcement made by the Russian naval general staff today. The Russians still occupy Serel point and the Svorb peninsula on the southwestern coast. It now develops that the Germans did not occupy Dago island, north of Oesel and at the head of the Gulf of Finland, but contented themselves with making a demonstration against it.

Premier Kerensky in an appeal to the Baltic fleet, to defend the fatherland "in this hour of trial," divulged the fact that the garrison of Kronstadt, the chief fortress and military port of Russia and the station of the Baltic fleet, 20 miles west of Petrograd, by its attitude already has weakened the defensive resources of the fortress.

Eight dreadnoughts and a dozen light cruisers, 40 torpedo boats and 39 mine sweepers participated in the German landing on Oesel island.

The people of Petrogred received the news of the occupation calmly. The newspapers have published interviews with some of the cabinet ministers and others, who agree that while the operation seriously affects Russia's strategic position it does not constitute an immediate menace to the Russian capital.

Kerensky's Appeal

Premier Kerensky today sent a telegram to the commander-in-chief of the northern army in which he said:

"For the redoubtable Baltic fleet that the hour of trial has arrived. Russia expects for her safety a violent effort by the navy, and I, as generalissimo, demand that the sailors make sacrifices.

"The hour has come when the Baltic fleet can defend the fatherland, and the great traditions of liberty and freedom. It is time to reflect and to cease to co-operate involuntarily with the cause of the enemy. The garrison of *Kronstadt* has by its attitude reduced the defensive resources of the fortress.

"Let all remember that the fatherland will not forgive criminal levity. Let the abominable crime of the battleship Petropavlovsk be redeemed. Let the fleet repulse the enemy under command of its officers whose patriotism is well known to all Russia."

As the result of a misunderstanding that arose on board the Russian battleship Petropavlovsk, out of the action of the general assembly of the Democratic bodies on calling upon officers of the army and navy in Finland to sign a pledge of fidelity to the Russian provisional government, four officers who refused to sign were shot at Helsingfors last month. The action of the men

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SIR SAM IS SATISFIED

Toronto, Oct. 14.—"And what do you think of General Mewburn's appointment as minister of militia?" Sir Sam Hughes was asked here on Saturday.

"He is a splendid fellow," said Sir Sam, "one of my own men, and after a little experience he should make a good man. He and Colonel Ballantyne of Montreal, I have regarded as two of my own boys and have confidence in them."

LATEST CATCH IN THE SPY NET OF THE ALLIES

Bolo Pasha, now being held in Paris as a German spy.

CANNOT ORGANIZE CABINET

Stockholm, Oct. 14.—M. J. Widen, president of the second chamber and former minister of the interior, who was charged by King Gustav with the formation of a cabinet, has replied that he is unable to accomplish the task. The king has now invited the Liberal leader, Prof. Eden, to organize a ministry.

MORTIMER HELD ON A CHARGE OF MANSLAUGHTER

Driver of Crazed Horse That Caused Fatality on Macleod Trail Faces Serious Charge

HEAVY SURETIES

Gets Temporary Freedom on a $2,000 Bail; Preliminary Hearing to Be Held This Week in Calgary

Wm. Mortimer who was driving the horse which jumped into an auto killing Mrs. Pope of Blackie, on Thursday last, has been released on $2,000 bail. In the meantime a charge of manslaughter has been entered against him and he will have his preliminary hearing this week.

Mortimer at the time of the accident was driving south on the Macleod trail when the horse ran away from him and after a dash of five miles met an approaching car and jumped over the side landing on Mrs. Pope and killing her instantly.

When Mortimer was arrested some hours after the accident he was in an intoxicated condition. Mr. Sinclair of Lougheed and Bennett will defend Mortimer at his preliminary hearing.

Alberta Casualties

INFANTRY

Killed in Action

Jas. McDonald, Calgary.
A. W. Lucas, Calgary.
W. W. Hare, Lamont.
A. R. S. Price, Calgary.
F. W. Hudson, Cahihon Station.
A. McDowell, Edmonton.

Died of Wounds

F. M. Beattie, Banff.
J. P. Tait, Edmonton.
F. R. Pierce, Edmonton.
A. H. Hurdman, Edmonton.
J. W. Stamp, Camrose.

Died

A. S. Willison, Mizpah.

Wounded and Missing

W. H. Cratchley, Edmonton.
W. F. Bible, Edmonton.
James Gray, Edmonton.
C. C. Roberts, Mecheche.
A. H. Turner, Edmonton.

Wounded

H. E. Webb, Stern.
L. T. Lewis, Lansman.
F. Sixby, Munson.
F. M. Smith, Edmonton.
W. W. Bell, Edmonton.
R. Calderwood, Macleod.
C. L. Dilworth, Lunnford.
B. Caldwell, Greencourt.
C. T. Weldon, Strathcona.
O. N. Moore, Hope Valley.
S. R. Tilley Swalwell.
Charles Buckingham, Calgary.

Returned to Duty

G. Towler, Calgary.

SERVICES

Wounded

Lieut. Erastus K. Hall, Edmonton.

MOUNTED RIFLES

Wounded

S. S. Hart, Pancreas.

ENGINEERS

Wounded

Sapper F. A. Millen, Delburne.
Sapper George Derbyshire, Drumheller.

STRICT TRAINING FOR SLAVS

Petrograd, Oct. 14.—A military conference was held at main headquarters Saturday, at which Premier Kerensky presided. A program was adopted providing for the systematic training of soldiers, and the application on the whole Russian front of the technical military processes developed in the present war, and the strict regulation of the soldiers' daily life so as to produce maximum efficiency.

HEAVY RAINFALL ON FLANDERS FRONT; SMALL ENCOUNTERS

British Repulsed German Reconnoitering Detachments, While French Attacked German Patrols, Taking Many Prisoners

LIVELY ARTILLERY DUEL

A Reciprocal Bombardment Continues Between Austrians and Italians in the Isonzo Region

AUSTRIANS DEFEATED

Attempted an Attack in the Chiapovana Valley, But Were Repulsed by Italians

Sunday again saw a heavy rain fall on the front in Flanders, and there were only reconnoitering encounters and artillery activity.

Near Poelcapelle the British troops Saturday night repulsed German reconnoitering detachments, while the French attacked German patrols, and took a number of prisoners. To the south, along the Aisne a lively artillery duel continues between the French and Germans.

On the Austro-Italian front, especially in the Isonzo region, the reciprocal bombardments continue heavy. The only infantry engagement reported was in the Chiapovano valley, where Austro-Hungarians attempted an attack but were repulsed by the Italian fire.

REST FOR THE INFANTRY

London, Oct. 14.—The infantry on both British and German sides rested in Flanders today, but there was considerable artillery activity, according to the official report from Field Marshal Haig tonight. The text of the report reads as follows:

"East county troops raided the enemy's trenches in the afternoon southeast of Monchy le Preux and captured several prisoners.

"On the battlefront there has been considerable activity today on the part of both artilleries, but no infantry action. The total number of prisoners captured by us Friday is now ascertained to be 934, including 41 officers.

"Owing to the weather very little flying was done Saturday. In the fine intervals, a certain amount of artillery and photograph work was accomplished, and the enemy's new positions were reconnoitered. One of our patrols encountered an enemy formation of double the number of machines and a determined fight ensued from which four of our aeroplanes failed to return. Owing to the close nature of the fighting, the number of hostile machines accounted for could not be determined by our pilots. Other allied machines, which arrived too late to share in the fighting, saw from a distance several machines falling, out of control."

THE AERIAL OPERATIONS

London, Oct. 14.—An official statement issued today by the British admiralty concerning aerial operations over Belgium says:

"Owing to the unfavorable weather on Saturday, operations by our naval air-

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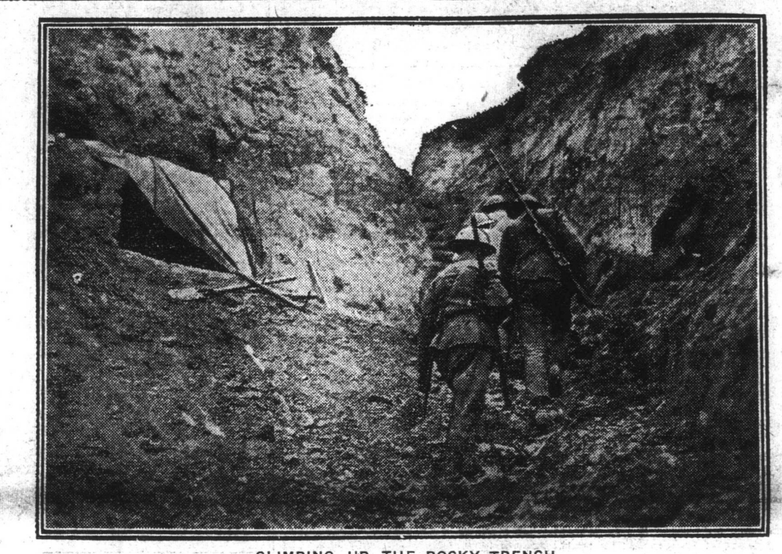
PREMIER MARTIN ENDORSES UNION

Best Brains and Most United Action Required at Present Time

Toronto, Oct. 14.—"I believe that the formation of a union government at this time was absolutely essential," said Hon. William Martin, premier of Saskatchewan, in an interview here on Saturday.

"This war is calling for the best brains and the most united action that is possible to be called to the work in hand. I know that there is some fault being found with the men and methods used in connection with the formation of the new cabinet, but in my opinion, this is not the time to be a carping critic," said the premier.



CLIMBING UP THE ROCKY TRENCH

The photograph shows British soldiers in a communication trench at the time the British armored cars went to the aid of the Russians who were retreating in Galicia. Some of the men volunteered to man the trenches along with the Russians. It is a very unusual thing for men trained for armored cars to go into the trenches. London Daily Mirror photo.

GERMANY HAS NO EXCUSE TO OFFER FOR CABLE OUTRAGES

Expresses Regret to Sweden and Promises That They Will Not Occur Again

VERY HUMILIATING

Has Not Any Confirmation from Von Luxburg on the Incident

Stockholm, Oct. 14.—The Swedish foreign office has received the German reply to its inquiry regarding the action of Count von Luxburg while he was German minister to Argentina in sending messages through the Swedish legation regarding the sinking without trace of Argentinian vessels. Germany expressed regrets last month and promised a fuller statement later. The answer now forwarded confirms the arrival in Berlin of the Luxburg cablegrams as published, although one of them was mutilated at an essential point.

The German government states it is unable to make a declaration regarding the authenticity of the dispatches, as no confirmatory correspondence has taken place with von Luxburg. The telegrams are said to have had no effect on the submarine war. The government deplores the fact that they were dispatched and that von Luxburg employed the facilities extended by the Swedish government in a manner which might have been construed as abuse of them. Assurance is given that incidents calculated to disturb the friendly relations between Germany and Sweden will not occur again.

GREAT OPPORTUNITY

Canada's Chance at Raising the Big Loan.

Winnipeg, Oct. 14.—The Winnipeg Tribune, commenting on the union government says:

"A nation that has made the sacrifices of Canada in the war possesses a great heart and a great soul, and now that the opportunity has come to test the country's judgment on the patriotic act of sinking party differences, the approval of the people is added testimony to the solidity of national sentiment and sound public honesty. . . . Canada is today a rejuvenated, strengthened nation, confident in its power, aggressive in its war policy—and united."

TRYING TO CHEER THEM UP

Photograph reproduced from a German newspaper showing the destruction of a steamer. The enemy press, presumably under orders, is now devoting a large proportion of space to alleged feats of U-boats. London Daily Mirror photo.

AD. CLUB TO HEAR DR. ROBERTSON

Dr. J. W. Robertson, of Ottawa, chairman of the food controller's central advisory council, who is touring the west to further the organization of food resources, will address the Calgary Ad. club at its luncheon, which will be held at the Hudson's Bay Elizabethan room, at 12:30 noon, Tuesday. His subject will be "Food Control." Ladies are invited to be present.

MACKAY INVITED TO JOIN THE NEW STEWART CABINET

But He Does Not Seem Disposed to Accept Vacant Portfolio of Railways and Telephones

Edmonton, Oct. 16.—Hon. Charles Stewart, minister of public works in the provincial government, has been invited by Lieut.-Gov. Brett to form a cabinet as premier in the place of Hon. A. L. Sifton, who has resigned to enter the new union government at Ottawa as minister of customs.

Mr. Stewart has accepted. It is understood that all the present members of the cabinet will be reappointed. The vacant portfolio of minister of railways and telephones, previously held by Premier Sifton, has been offered Hon. A. G. MacKay, M.L.A. for Athabasca, but it is understood that he does not care to accept.

PROVINCIAL POLICE PRISONER ATTEMPTS SUICIDE ON TRAIN

Wanted on Charge of Wife Desertion, Aged Man Attempts Life on Board C.N.R. Train

Getting away from his captors on a C.N.R. train en route to Calgary Saturday night, James Keller, a prisoner in the charge of provincial police, rushed to the rear of the train and slashed his throat with a jack knife. He was seized and overpowered before completing his ghastly work and on his arrival in Calgary was given surgical attention.

Keller is an elderly man of 53, who is wanted by the police of Williston, North Dakota, on a charge of wife desertion.

The provincial police located him at Craignayle, near Hanna, where he has been stopping for some time, and on Saturday the officers boarded the Calgary train at Hanna to bring him to Calgary. After a portion of the journey had been completed, Keller making some excuse to go to the rear of the car, got up and walked hurriedly to the door of the coach. He then pulled out a rusty knife and tried to kill himself. After a brief struggle the knife was taken away from him. The police telegraphed ahead to Calgary and Inspector Brankley and a surgeon met the train and gave the necessary surgical aid. Keller is now located up in the provincial barracks here none the worse for his attempt beyond a slight wound in his throat.

DEPOSITION OF HUN CHANCELLOR IS IMPERATIVE

Copenhagen, Oct. 14.—The pan-German Lokal Anzeiger, the National-Liberal Deutsche Kurier, the Catholic Germania, the Radical Tageblatt and the Socialist Vorwaerts agree that the prestige of Chancellor Michaelis is shattered and his position so shaken that his deposition is imperative. The Kurier suggests that a change in the chancellorship has been temporarily deferred on tactical grounds, to avoid the impression that there had been a surrender to Socialist pressure. Virtually the entire press sneers openly or covertly at the chancellor's attempt to get clear by shouldering the responsibility upon vice-Admiral von Capelle.

CALGARY BOY IS STRUCK BY TOURING CAR AND KILLED

Heavy Automobile Driven by G. Wier, Taxi Driver, Runs Down Harry Valentine, Who Succumbs; Is Arrested and Released on Paltry Bail

DRAGGED SIXTY FEET

Boy Was Riding Cycle on Right Side of Road and 10 Feet From Curb; Car Is Only Stopped 80 Feet From Point of Accident

Harry Valentine, a pupil of the Calgary Practice school and an Albertan route boy was struck by a heavy touring car on Seventh avenue west Saturday night at 4 o'clock and died shortly afterwards.

Valentine was riding a bicycle east on Seventh avenue west when a heavy touring car driven by Wier, a taxi cab driver, proceeding in the same direction, ran him down. The unfortunate boy fell beneath the heavy wheels of the car, and was dragged 60 feet, the car not being brought to a standstill for another 21 feet, or 81 feet from the point where the accident occurred.

On Right Side of Road

Two other boys on bicycles were with young Valentine when the accident occurred and state that when he was struck he was only 10 feet from the curb and on the right side of the road. Witnesses also staet that Wier did not sound his horn.

After Wier had stopped his car he went back, picked up the unconscious boy and drove him to Dr. McPhatter's surgery on Fourteenth avenue west, a trip of at least nine blocks while there are several surgical offices within four blocks of the accident.

On arriving at Dr. McPhatter's office Wier laid the boy on the sidewalk and went into call the doctor. Dr. McPhatter found the windpipe was severed and the unfortunate victim died in a few minutes, evidently having choked to death. Wier was arrested and for some unknown reason allowed out on a bail of $200.

The boy's family feel that he did not have the best of attention after the accident and that if Wier had taken him to the nearest surgeon there might have been a chance of saving his life.

Harry Valentine, though only 13, was well known throughout the city and had made a name for himself in public school athletics. He and his three brothers were members of the pro-cathedral choir. The body has been removed to Harrison and Foster's undertaking establishment where the inquest will be held tonight.

CARVELL'S SON-IN-LAW KILLED

Woodstock, N.B., Oct. 14.—Mrs. William W. Fisher, of this town, received word today that her son, Dr. (Captain) Arthur M. Fisher, was killed in action at the front on Friday. Captain Fisher was a son-in-law of Hon. Frank B. Carvell, minister of public works. He was 26 years of age.

STRIKE AVERTED

St. Paul, Minn., Oct. 14.—The strike of 2,000 railway employes of the Northern Pacific, called for tomorrow, which threatened to tie up the road's entire freight system, was averted today when an agreement was signed granting the men's demands for an 8-hour day and higher wage schedule, which is to be drawn up December 2.

LAURIER PREPARED FOR OPPOSITION TO NEW GOVERNMENT

Two Conferences With the Liberal Candidates Arranged For in Province of Ontario

LABOR IN CABINET

Representation in the Union Government Will Be Subject for Early Consideration

DR. CLARK DECLINED

Member for Red Deer Was Invited to Join Government, But Preferred Not to Do So

Ottawa, Oct. 14.—The following statement was authorized tonight:

"Sir Wilfrid Laurier has lost no time in rallying the forces of Liberalism to meet the conditions created by the formation of the new Borden government.

"The Liberal leader has arranged to hold two conferences with the Liberal candidates in Ontario and the representatives of the county Liberal associations. The first of these conferences will be held in Ottawa on Friday next, Oct. 19, and will be attended by candidates and representatives of the counties east of Kingston. The second conference for western Ontario will be held the following week at a place to be decided on later."

Labor Representation

Ottawa, Oct. 14.—Labor representation in the union government is to be a matter of early consideration. In the reconstruction of the government up to the present time it has not been found possible to provide for special representation of labor. But it is understood in well informed circles the subject is by no means overlooked and special attention will be given to it by the prime minister in the early future.

There is reason to believe also that the prime minister is anticipating arrangements under which New Brunswick will have two representatives in the cabinet after next election. In the formation of a union government there is not an unnatural feeling which may be stronger in one province than in another, that consideration should be given to both political parties. Any such feeling in New Brunswick, it is stated, will be met by such an arrangement as is now under consideration.

Hon. J. D. Hazen, New Brunswick's representative in the former administration, is to resume his portfolio as minister of marine and fisheries, and minister of naval service, after six years of work. During the past three years the work of the department of naval service and the responsibilitie

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COUNTRY AUTOIST CUTS CORNER WITH SERIOUS RESULTS

Standard Driver Turns on Wrong Point of Intersection and Collides With Motor Cycle

Evidently not accustomed to the city traffic regulations, C. Dahl of Standard, Alberta, driving a motor car proceeded to cut a corner at Eighth avenue and First street west Sunday at 5.30 o'clock and succeeded in damaging his own car, partially demolishing a motor cycle and injuring the driver, Fred Contini of 705 Fourth street east.

Dahl was driving east on Eighth avenue and in turning north on First street west, turned sharply on the northwest corner of the intersection. He smashed into Contini on his motor cycle, causing him some slight injury. The accident was reported to the police but no arrests have been made.

MED. HAT OFFICER DIED IN GERMANY

Toronto, Oct. 14.—Alex. Davidson, of Toronto, received a letter through the International Red Cross association of Geneva advising him that his son, Lieut. George T. Davidson, had died Oct. 26, 1916, while a prisoner of war in Germany.

Lieut. Davidson was reported wounded and missing after the battle of the Somme. He enlisted in Medicine Hat, Alta., where he was practicing law previous to the outbreak of the war.

TO CONTROL SALE OF COAL

Ottawa, Oct. 14.—Regulations are being framed by C. A. Magrath, fuel controller, for the fixing of profits on the sale of coal by brokers, wholesalers and retailers throughout Canada. It is understood that retail profits will be limited to 50 cents a ton, and wholesale dealers' and brokers' profits will be on a still lower scale. It is also likely that provision will be made to restrict undue accumulation of coal in the hands of consumers. Complete machinery will be provided for the prosecution of any infractions of the regulations, which are said to be very drastic in scope.

CHEAPER FISH FOR ALBERTA

The order-in-council issued at Ottawa, in which authority is given for the government to pay two-thirds on all transportation charges on British Columbia fish to points in Alberta, Saskatchewan and Manitoba, will materially assist in reducing the extremely high cost of living in Calgary. This transportation rebate covers all fish, excepting halibut and grayfish. British Columbia fish has been selling in Calgary at 25 cents a pound. With this new regulation in force there will be a large supply of fish on the local markets, and the 25-cent rate should be reduced to 20 cents at a maximum.

B.C. WILL SHIP COD

The original arrangement was that the government pay one-third transportation charges on all fish from British Columbia, less than carload lots. British Columbia fishermen refused to bring in cheaper line of fish, such as cod, which sell at British Columbia ports at four and one-half cents, while halibut brings 12 to 16 cents a pound. With the new regulation in force, cod will be shipped to the eastern markets, for though a low priced fish, the decreased cost of transportation will more than make up for the previous loss on ice packing and general handling of a cheap commodity.